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ACCOUNT NO. 23-0975

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Confirmation No. 4000  
Akihiko TANIGAKI et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2004\_1242A  
Serial No. 10/505,478 : Group Art Unit 3752  
Filed August 24, 2004 : Examiner James Sean Hogan  
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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE UNDER 37.CFR1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 3752

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 14, 2007, reconsideration is respectfully requested. The period for response has been extended for one (1) month by the attached petition. To facilitate the Examiner's review of the application, a clean copy of the claims is provided.